Compensation to the Dependents of IPKF personnel killed in Sri Lanka

3078. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of dependents of IPKF personnel who lost their lives in the Sri Lanka Operations who have been given compensation so far and at what rate the compensation has been given; and

(b) by when Government propose to give jobs and clear the compensation to all the dependents of IPKF jawans who lost their lives?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (DR. RAJA RAMANNA): (a) Out of a total of 1157 IPKF personnel who lost their lives (including 34 personnel reported missing and presumed dead), dependents of 1151 personnel have been paid Liberalised Family Pensionary awards along with gratuity and other benefits

(b) Government of India have issued instructions to the Government Departments/Public Sector Undertakings, as a special dispensation, to provide compassionate appointments to the dependents of the deceased IPKF personnel by relaxing the relevant criteria where necessary. The grant of pensionary benefits to the remaining 6 dependents is held up on account of disputed legitimacy of the claimants, disputes between claimants and investigation of fraudulent enrolment etc. of the service personnel.

Sportspersons for Beijing Asian Games

3079. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number and the details of sportspersons who have qualified for participation in the forthcoming Beijing Asian Games; and

(b) whether Government proposes to clear all the sportspersons, who qualify the standards prescribed for being selected for these games?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) The number and the details of the sportspersons, who have so far been cleared by the Government, for participation in the forthcoming Beijing Asian Games, are as under:—

Sl.No.	Discipline	Sportspersons cleared
1	Athletics	25
2	Boxing	6
3	Archery	4
4	Yachting	6
5	Cycling	17
6	Hockey (Men)	16
7	Hockey (Women)	16
8	Kayaking and Canoeing	8
9	Weight lifting	12
10	Swimming	5
11	Kabaddi	12
12	Wrestling	9
13	Judo	3
14	Tennis	5
15	Rowing	22
16	Shooting	7
	TOTAL :	173

(b) Yes, Sir.

Demand for closing minorities run Colleges in Delhi

3080. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the demand made by a National Political Party after New Government took over in last December, 1987, for closing down of some minorities run colleges in the University of Delhi; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) This Department do not appear to have received any specific demand from a National Political Party for closing down of some minorities run colleges of the Delhi University. According to the information furnished by University Grants Commission and Delhi University, no such demand has been received by them also.

(b) Does not arise.

Approval to Private Institutions for Computer Training

3081. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some private institutions have been given approval for providing training in computers;

(b) if so, what are the norms for providing such approval;

(c) what are the names of the institutions approved so far providing computer training; and

(d) whether these training courses are recognised for Government jobs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, it has been decided to implement a scheme for recognition of private sector training institutes conducting computer courses. The scheme will be implemented by Computer Society of India (CSI) and Institute of Electronics & Telecommunication Engineers (IETE). CSI and IETE will evaluate the institutes, and only those meeting the defined quality and service standards like availability of faculty, computer facilities, library, class room etc. would be approved to run the prescribed courses. CSI and IETE will also conduct examinations for these courses.

(c) As the scheme is very recent no institutions have as yet been approved.

(d) A proposal to recognise the diplomas/certificates awarded by CSI/IETE for Government jobs, is under consideration.

Exploitation of Atomic Minerals in the Country

3082. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any survey has recently been conducted regarding availability of atomic minerals in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, what arrangements have been made for their exploitation; and

(c) the amount of funds allocated in the current financial year for the survey of new deposits of atomic minerals and their exploitation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) Yes, Sir. Atomic Minerals Division, a unit of the Department of Atomic Energy, has been conducting survey and exploration for Atomic